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MEMORANDUM

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TO: TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: MAYOR ROBERT L. HEDLUND 
RE: CPA FUNDING REQUEST - PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT & GAZEBO FOR BEALS PARK
DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2023

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I hereby submit the following measure to Town Council for its consideration and action:

“That the Town of Weymouth appropriate the sum of \$400,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance Account (4906-321001), for the supply of playground equipment and a gazebo for the upcoming construction of Beals Park in North Weymouth.”

Please see the attached supporting documentation.

This measure requires a legal notice and public hearing.

At the time of this submittal, the balance in the Unreserved Fund Balance Account is \$3,219,640.02.

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Community Development

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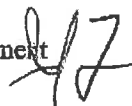
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TO: Robert L. Hedlund, Mayor

FROM: Robert J. Luongo, Director of Planning & Community Development 

DATE: February 3, 2023

SUBJECT: **Request for Funding - CPA**

At the February 2, 2023 meeting of the Community Preservation Committee, the committee reviewed and discussed the application put forward by Steve Reilly, Director, Department of Parks & Recreation in the amount of \$400,000. The request is for the supply of playground equipment and a gazebo for the upcoming construction and restoration of Beals Park in North Weymouth.

After review and discussion, the following motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to appropriate and fund \$400,000 from the unreserved fund balance account.

The Community Preservation Committee appreciates your consideration on this recommendation.

ATTACHMENT: Funding Request dated January 13, 2022

CC:

Christopher Hannan, Chair, CPC
Dan Condon, Vice Chair, CPC
Brent Lydon, Town Accountant
Jeanne Savoy, Office of the Mayor

Description:

This request, in the amount of \$400,000, is for the Town's direct procurement for the supply of the playground equipment and gazebo proposed in the plans for the restoration of Beals Park. Childscapes of Marshfield is an approved playground contractor on the Commonwealth's official state contractor list. The Commonwealth's Operational Services Division procures contracts and encourages municipalities to use the list for a variety of supplies and services. This procurement will be administered through the Town's Procurement Division. When bidding the project, interested bidders will be instructed to install the equipment purchased from Childscapes by the Town. The supply of the equipment *only* is covered under this request. The installation of the equipment is covered under another appropriation for the restoration of Beals Park.

Describe how this project helps to preserve Weymouth's character:

Beals Park is located in the Sea Street Historic District, as listed on the National Register of Historic Places (2009). One of at least 8 shoe factories in the Sea Street District was owned by Elias S. Beals. His factory was located at 48 Sea Street and Beals lived next door at 40 Sea Street. Additionally, Beals opened a shop at the corner of North Street and Bridge Street where he sold boots and shoes until 1849.

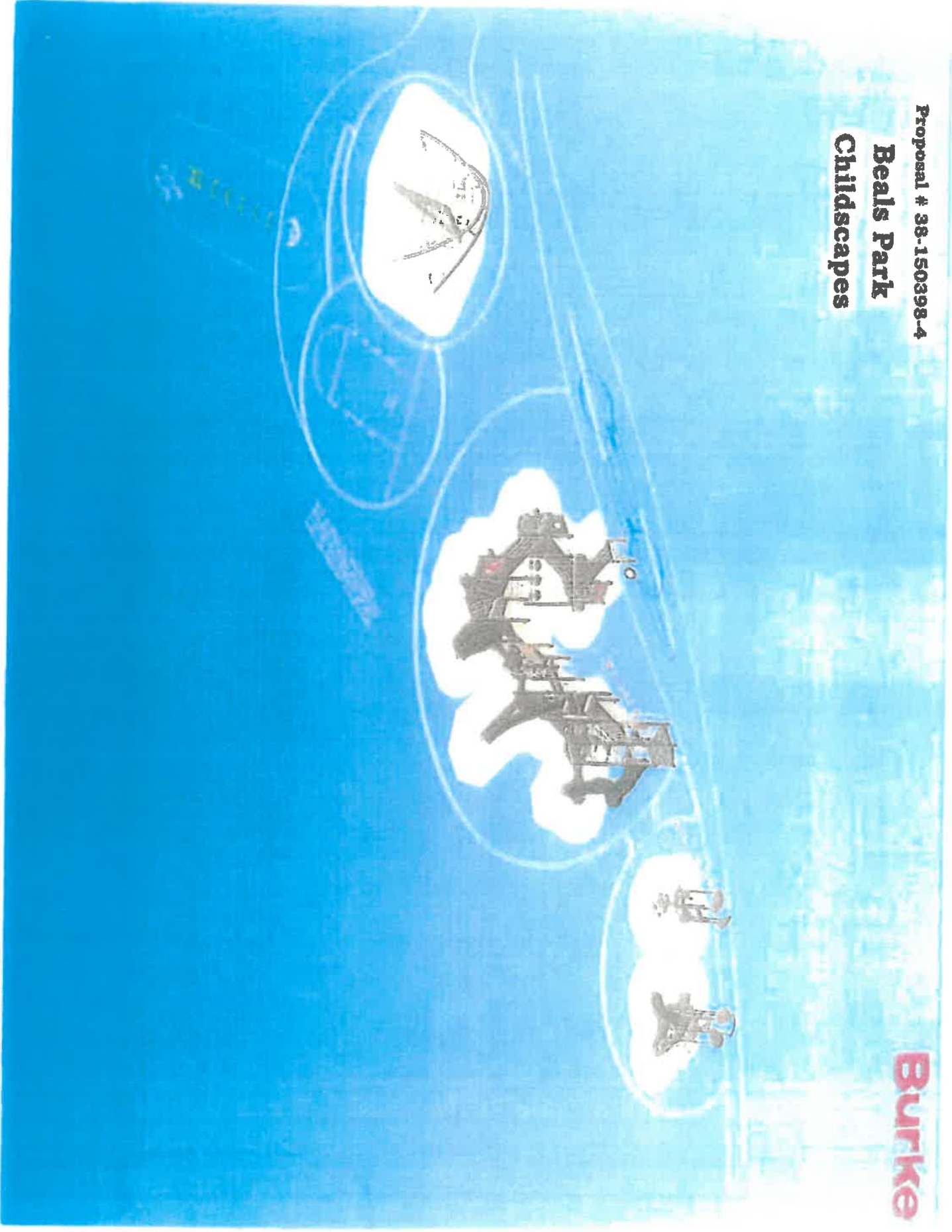
In addition to being a prominent shoemaker, Elias S. Beals (1814-1897) was one of the first three park commissioners in Weymouth.

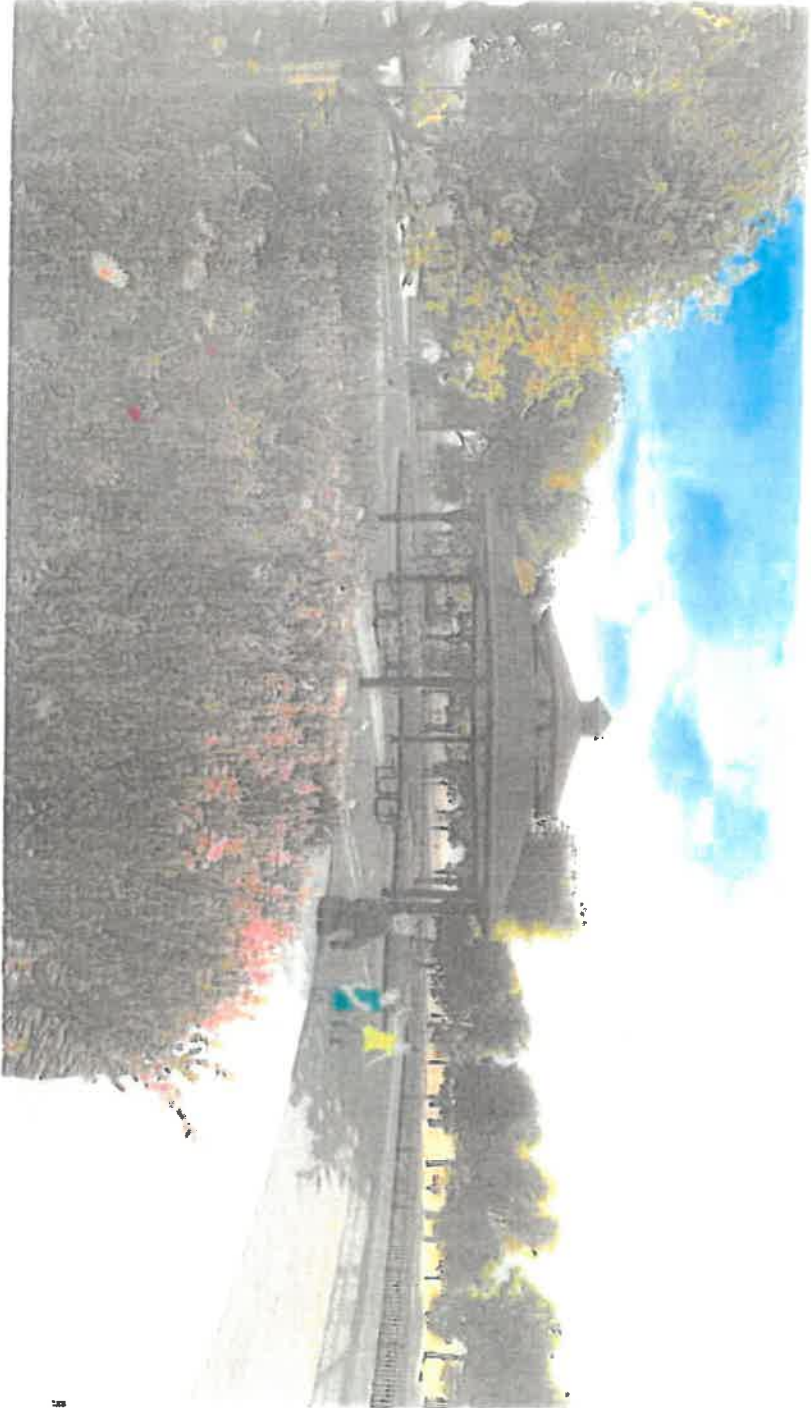
The new park plan includes interpretive panels. The panels will provide an educational component related to the Sea Street Historic District and the life of Elias S. Beals.

Proposal # 38-150398-4

Beals Park Childscapes

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Bridge Street Perspective